**Objections to Deodhar Committee's Report**

965. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry have objected to high powered Deodhar Committee's report for privatisation of metro channels ;

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations of the committee on which his Ministry has objections ;

(c) whether Deodhar Committee's report has been examined by Government ; and

(d) if so, the reasons for not implementing the report into ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) The Air Time Committee of India has not submitted any report to the Government.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

**Extra publicity to companies sponsoring sports tournaments**

966. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government proposes to review its policy on coverage of programmes sponsored by Companies and Doordarshan will give extra publicity to companies sponsoring sports tournaments; and

(b) if so, by when the proposal is likely to be implemented.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) There is no such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

**Preparation of Original Script of News Bulletins in Hindi**

967. SHRI T. A. MOHAMMED SAQHY :

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to prepare original script of News Bulletins for AIR/Doordarshan in Hindi and later translate them into English and other regional languages; and

(b) if so, details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Increase in Entertainment Time on Metro Channel**

968. SHRI P. UPENDRA :

SHRI SURESH KALMADI :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Doordarshan has decided to increase the entertainment time on the Metro Channel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the response from private producers for using the Metro Channel ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) and (b) In addition to the metro hour (8 p.m. to 9 p.m.) introduced from 26th January, 1993, another time chunk (9 p.m. to 10 p.m.) for en-